

In the specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 22 as follows:

Buildings in which colored PCM (pre-coated metal) steel plates are used as exterior building materials are classified into high-rise buildings using high-level materials and low-rise buildings using low-level materials. Since the high-rise buildings must be durable for a long period of time, colored steel plates on which a highly weather resistant fluorine resin paint is applied are mainly used. On the contrary, in the case of the low-rise buildings, RMP (general modified polyester) colored steel plates on which a general polyester paint is applied are used. However, since these low-level polyester colored steel plates have a relatively short color retention period, the appearance of buildings is worsened and thus consumer's complaints gradually increase, in particular, in regions where exposure to UV light due to the depleted ozone layer is serious, e.g., Southeast Asia and equatorial regions where sunlight irradiation and ambient temperature are high. Above all, dark blue, dark green and red colored steel plates which are mainly used as roof materials are easily decolorized and this causes many problems. Although conventional weather resistant steel plates (hereinafter, referred to as "HDP (highly durable polyester) steel plates") are modified to further reinforce weather resistance, the reinforced weather resistant effect is unsatisfactory for dark colors.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 20 as follows:

Furthermore, most highly weather resistant fluorine resin colored steel plates (hereinafter, referred to as "PVDF (polyvinylidene fluorine) steel plates") are expensive and limited in the choice of colors due to low transparency of the fluorine contained in the steel plates. Accordingly, these PVDF steel plates cannot satisfy the consumer's diverse needs for light colors.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 4 as follows:

Therefore, the present invention has been made in view of the above problems, and it is an object of the present invention to provide a highly weather resistant colored steel plate (hereinafter, referred to as a "WDP (weather durable polyester) steel plate") which has excellent weather resistance, is inexpensive relative to fluorine resin steel plates, has much less influence on the colors and has physical properties equivalent to the fluorine resin steel plates.